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Thinking Out Loud

By H. M. L.

The fierce bright light that beats upon the chief actors on national stage, does help to keep our democracq healthy. The public odium that attached to the congress that rubber stamped the president's requests, is surely affecting a cure. This condition had to be spread on thousands of acres of white newsprint with many tons of black ink, but eventually it worked a revolution in the national thinking. Congress is taking back many of the powes it formerly conferred. The bureaucratic curse to which the nation is now subjected as the result of rubber-stamping eventnally will be stripped of its power to plague the people. The press spotlights are like violet rays in the world of physics. They purge the body politic.

For that reason we do not believe that we shall ever be subject to a totalitarian government in the United States. Vigilant press and radio commentators will point out the abyss before we walk off into space. Editors of various mining journals which come to this desk are doing a valiant service in unrelenting exposure of every symptom that indicates that creeping paralysis of totalitarianism has afflicted one or more of our public servants. These symptoms are easy to detect, but one must be alert. When Harry Hopkins, until recently a long staying guest at the White House, said: "The public is too dumb to understand," anyone with half an eye could note how deeply he was bitten by the totalitarian bug.

When a comparatively young man, with an overweening notion of his own importance, begins to put on paternal airs as regards his fellow citizens, it is the business, the duty and the pleasure of the press to pin back his ears immediately. Here is what the tditor of the Engineering and Mining Journal has to say about the Totalitarian Trend:

"If and when totalitarianism takes hold in this country, it will not be a matter of deliberate public acceptance. It will come either as the only way to quell civil disturbances—not so remote since the recent coal strike—or as a creeping disease.

"There can be no better barometer of totalitarian trends than the freedom of the press. Totalitarianism cannot endure free speech or a free press, and the extent to which our government indulges in curbs on freedom of expression not absolutely vital to security is a sure indicator of the growth of this loathsome disease.

"Believing this, we are profoundly disturbed over several events of recent months. We know now that our highest officials solemnly uttered falsehoods about Pearl Harbor. We know now how the Tokyo raid was publicized as a complete success, although it was more or less of a Pyrrhic victory. Some of us wonder at the manner in which the execution of the captive raiders by the Japs was announced, with an air of profound shock, despite the fact that the news had been known for six months and confirmed for six weeks. Also, we wonder at the unnecessary passion for secrecy over the planned food conference.

"Many of the releases put out by the Office of War Information are sugar coated stuff, suspiciously similar to what one would expect from a "Ministry of Propaganda and Public Enlightenment." The resignation of 15 newswriters from this agency in a body because of the inflow of "public relations" men into key positions is ground for alarm. Nobody who has met Elmer Davis believes that he has any desire to become a Goebbels. However, agencies have a disconcerting way of developing trends not intended by their organizers or bosses.

"In view of these circumstances, we believe that it is high time for the public to become concerned over the evidence of "creeping totalitarianism". It would certainly be a miserable tragedy if we at home should lose by default the precious liberties we tell the boys at the front they are fighting for, and for which the heroes of many past generations have died."

WATER STORAGE SHOULD BE POST WAR PROJECT

George W. Hallock, president of the California Hydraulic Miners Association, has been named to head a committee of the association to confer with United States Army Engineers and the Californa Debris Commission regarding post war plans. This conference will take place between now and the next meeting of the association in Grass Valley, September 12th.

Hallock is firmly convinced, he states, that county, state and the federal governments must be ready with projects of a practical character to take up the manpower slack when the war ends.

Now that the project of completing the debris dams has been successfully concluded, he finds that to give these dams their full usefulness it is necessary to provide a cheap water supply for hydraulicking purposes. At present monitors can be operated only during the rainy season and a short time in the spring, a period of six months, usually.

Hallock is prepared to sketch the plans for two storage dams on the Middle Yuba river of sufficient capacity to assure hydraulic miners of an all-year supply. This storage would especially benefit the San Juan Ridge where the largest body of auriferous gravel in the world is located. Engineers estimate that there are $600,000,000 worth of gold in these deposits.

Hallock hopes to arouse throughout mining communities of the state a lively interest in water storage as one of the most important developments of the post war era.

ADELINE CONNER WILL BE HONORED IN OAKLAND

Mrs. Adeline Conner, wife of Fred Conner, retired lumberman, will have a tree dedicated to her in California on September 26th, commemorating the birthday of the Poet of the Sierras, Joaquin Miller.

There will be five trees dedicated about the statue of the late poet. Those to be honored are Wiliam Randolph Hearst, James McLafferty, Joseph R. Knowland, the late Wells Drury, and Adeline Conner. Mrs. Conner is noted throughout the Sierras for her frequent contribution to newspapers and magazines under the title "Just Wonderin'," She was the author of the dedicatory poem, Joaquin Miller, read at the ceremony commemorating the 101st birthday of the Poet of the Sierras.

William Hoffman, president of the Oakland Board of Park Directors will be the chairman of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Conner were former residents of Sacramento, where Conner owned and operated a lumber yard for several years. They now reside just outside North San Juan on on a farm known as the Twelve Apostles, named for twelve cedars planted there by a pioneer who had made the place his home in the 1860s.

On the editorial page of the Nugget there frequently appears the poem and prose contribution of Mrs. Conner under the title of "Just Wonderin" which hundreds of readers have learned to value for the spiritual lift it gives them in their daily living.

RECOVERING FROM OPERATION

Jack Fletcher who was operated on ten days ago for a ruptured appendix, is showing improvement at the Miners Hospital. He has been very ill and for a time it was thought necessary to give a transfusion and many local persons volunteered. Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher, reside in the Piety Hill section, have been at the Spaninsh Mine since early spring where he is employed as cook, while crews are mining and trucking out the strategic war mineral.

1944 ELECTION SHOULD CLARIFY U. S. PEACE STAND

By ROSCOE DRUMMOND
(In Christian Science Monitor)

The very opposite of what the human mind suggests is often the truth. The now current suggestion is that the necessity of going through the stresses of a presidential election in the midst of the war can be nothing but a great calamity. The truth is it doesn't have to be a liability to the progress of the war; it can be a great boon to the progress of the peace.

The heat and scuffle of the oncoming campaign will conceivably cause some misunderstanding in the minds of even our most sympathetic allies. It is helpful, therefore, to have able, acidulous Senator Carter Glass signalize his return to the capital in the unfamiliar role of pouring oil on the turbulent political waters. He calls for a cessation of name-calling, attempted political throat-cutting, and dispargement of the president of the Unted States.

While any election in time of war will be to a degree difficult and distracting, it can be a blessing to America that it will be called upon to determine its role in the peace while it is still engaged in the war. Thus the 1944 election, seemingly ill-timed from the standpoint of war, is signally well timed from the standpoint of the peace. The issues of the peace will have to be resolved by the American people while the fires of the war which are creating those issues are still burning.

Events are already molding the campaign into this shape. It now seems clear that there will either be a decisive rejection of isolationism by the Republicans or Mr. Roosevelt will unquestionably go to the country for a fourth time to obtian an unequivocal mandate to put America behind the common maintenance of the common peace. In fact, Mr. Roosevelt will probably run whatever the GOP does.

At the present time, the Republican party is strenuously seeking to cast off the appearance of isolationism, as witness the attitude of the GOP governors, the activity of the Spangler committee of 49. At the same time, a strong group within the party, led by Wendell Willkie, Senators Austin, Burton, Ball and the Republican Postwar Policy Committee seek to give it the substance of a party of international co-operation.

The danger is that the GOP will remove only the label but retain the leaders of isolationism. If it does, it will produce a confused and confusing campaign, as it did in 1920. There is better than an even chance that the danger will be averted because it is becoming increasingly evident that the Republicans have their best chance to win only if the election is pitched on domestic issues.

Certainly, political observers are coming to the conclusion that the GOP cannot successfully counter Roosevelt if it insists upon forcing the American people to elect international chaos—via an isolationist or equivocal foreign policy—as the only alternative to the New Deal. It is in this connection that the recent report of the Gallup Poll is particularly significant. It found that while the president has lost the support of more than half the country in his handling of domestic problems, he retains the support of nearly all the country in the conduct of the war and in foreign policy.

It is not surprising, therefore, to see Mr. Willkie's candidacy coming strongly to the fore, since Mr. Willkie is one of the foremost Republican leaders whose nomination would bring national agreement behind a non-partisan foreign policy and permit the campaign to be fought on the unresolved issues of postwar domestic affairs. A group of Republican National Committeemen conferred with Willkie in Rushville, Ind., last week, and it is suggestive that, far from courting the nomination at all costs, Willkie served notice that he would not run unless his party was prepared to stand unequivocally for liberal principles and full-bodied international cooperation.

The first concern of the 1944 presidential election is to ratify America's full participation in the peace. There could be no better time than in the midst of war. We have reason to look upon the fortscoming election, not as a calamity, but as a blessing—and to approach it in this spirit.

WAR AND VICTORY THEME OF AMER. LEGION CONCLAVE

"War—Victory" will be the theme of the 25th annual state convention of the American Legion, Department of California, to be held in San Francisco's Civic Auditorium, opening today and continuing through Wednesday, according to the official call for the great conclave issued by State Commander Leon Happell of Stockton. Due to the war emergency the customary fan-fare of legion conventions will give way to serious and intensive consideration of problems of the war, winning an early and effective victory, and assuring a lasting world-wide peace after victory. For the first time in the twenty-five years' history of the American Legion, there will be no parade on the convention program.

Preliminary informal receptions, registration of incoming officers, the delegates and alternates to the American Legion and Legion's Auxiliary conclaves will be held today and tomorrow. The Forty 'n Eights opened Saturday, August 14, in the Veterans' Memorial Building, holding their "grand wreck" promenade tonight in Eagles' Hall.

The official Legion convention program opened last evening, with Memorial exercises in the War Memorial Opera House.

The initial business session of the 25th annual state convention of California Legionnaire was called to order at 9:30 this morning in the Civic Auditorium. Convention committees were appointed, and addresses of welcome was delivered by general convention chairman, Ed Sharkey, county council commander, Tobias J. Bricca, and Mayor Angelo J. Rossi. Preliminary reports from permanent commttee chairmen concluded the morning session.

This afternoon, Attorney Thomas J. Riordan of San Francisco, state director of military affairs and chairman of California Veterans' Welfare Board, will report. Various department committee and commission chairmen will also be introduced.

The feature of the afternoon session will be the address of National Commander Roane T. Waring of Memphis, guest of the convention.

COLUSA RANCHER, HURT IN AUTO CRASH, SUCCUMBS

Burr T. Mitchell, 74, Colusa rancher, died in the Jones Memorial Hospital Saturday, as the result of injuries suffered in an automobile accident, a week ago, which were aggravated by uremic poisoning.

Burr with his wife was returning from a vacation at Lake Tahoe. On a turn in the Tahoe Ukiah Highway, a half mile west of Grass Valley, a tire went flat and the car went into the ditch. Both Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell were seriously injured, and at that time it was believed Mrs. Mitchell had suffered most critically.

The body has been in charge of Hooper and Weaver Mortuary, but has been sent to Colusa, where the funeral will be directey by the J. D. McNary Funeral Home.

Jacobus H. DeSmidt Passed Away This Morning

Jacobus H. DeSmidt, retired farmer, died this morning at 1 o'clock at his residence on Park avenue following a long illness. DeSmidt was born in Wisconsin 63 years ago. About twelve years ago he went to French Corral and engaged in mining. He had been a resident of Nevada City for two years.

Surviving the deceased are his wife, Mrs. Jennie DeSmidt of this city and Payson E. DeSmidt, a machinist in the Navy Yard at Mare Island.

Funeral services will take place in Holmes Funeral Home Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock with the Rev. David Ralston officiating. Cremation will follow.

MORE SKIERS ARE WANTED TO JOIN MOUNTAIN ARMY

Of fourteen men who left Nevada City yesterday morning for induction into the armed services but two were married men, and these without children.

The Selective Service office in the court house is in receipt of a letter from the National Ski Association asking that when a man is called up for service whose record shows him to be a skier or winter sports enthusiast, his attention be called to the fact that he is needed in mountain or ski troops, and that they should make known their avalability for this service.

The letter was sent to the Nevada County Selective Service Board because of the fact that in Nevada County lies some of the Sierras' finest winter sports areas and many young men of the county are edapt skiers.

LABOR ADEQUATE THUS FAR IN PEAR HARVEST

Loyle Freeman, who made a survey of labor conditions in the fruit harvest in southern Nevada County for the Grass Valley Chamber of Commerce, reports that conditions are good, that the farmers are managing to harvest all their crop of pears. He stated that the Pacific Gas and Electric Company linemen volunteered for several afternoons and evenings and that their aid was much appreciated.

Ray Pengelly stated that ripening conditions thus far were ideal and that packing plants had been able to handle the pears as they came in without difficulty, but he was apprehensive that a hot spell might send fruit to the packing sheds faster than present crews could handle it. Frank Munsee stated that only first quality fruit was being packed for shipping, since railroads are curtailing the use of rolling stock as much as possible.

DENTAL SURGERY FOR WOMAN HURT IN TRUCK CRASH

Mrs. Kay Nelson, 46, Oakland resident, who was painfully injured when a trusk loaded with two-inch pipe, careened off the Bridgeport-French Corral road early last week and fell 150 feet, pinning her beneath, is not critically hurt, but is resting comfortably at the Jones Memorial Hospital.

In addition to a badly fractured upper jaw and nose, which will require the services of a dental surgeon Mrs. Nelson received numerous rib fractures on both sides, severe shoulder and chest bruises and general contusions.

Six people were rding in the truck when it overturned but only two were removed to the hospital and one has since left for home.

Mrs. Nelson is under the care of Dr. Carl P. Jones.

HOME OF MRS. PEARL BARKER FIRE RAVAGED

A fire alarm from box 43 at the corner of Sacramento and Adams streets at 9:00 o'clock Friday morning was occasioned by a fire at the home of Ms. Pearl Barker, familiarly known as the Wanamake house. It was caused by a defective flue in the attic at the rear of the house.

The firemen responded promply, but the flames had made such headway that it was difficult to combat the fire, and the roof of the house was practically destroyed. The walls were badly damaged.

Most of he furniture was saved. Damage to the house itself was estimated at $1000 or more and no insurance was carried.

SERVICES HELD FOR LATE MRS. H. U. MAXFIELD

Mrs. Maxfield, wife of H. U. Maxfield, president of the Original Sixteen to One Mine, Inc., operating at Alleghany, was buried in Oakland last Monday in addition to her husband she is survived by the following children: Mr. William M. Maxfield, Attorney in San Francisco, Mr. Jack Maxfield s,ecretary, Original Sixteen to One Mine, Inc., San Francisco, and Mrs. Harold Lewis of Fresno. Mrs. Maxfield visited this section often and had many friends who will greatly miss her.

SOLDIERS WOULD LIKE LETTERS FROM HOME

William Poley of Park avenue received a V-mail letter from his son, Eddie on Friday from far away Sicily. Eddie Poley went into the army in February and after training in U. S. camps was sent overseas. The letter follows:

Dear Dad: Here is a line to let you know that I am fine and dandy. How is everyone at home? Did Bob and Eva pass in school? Did Eva finish high school?

I have a bit of news, we are in Sicily now, we were in the invasion. I don't like it as well as Africa. There is enough bugs here to eat a man alive and the place is dirty and smells.

I haven't heard from home in quite a while now and wish that Eva and everyone would write more often. Love to all, EDDIE.

OFFICERS KEEP S. F. RED CROSS BUREAU BUSY

No dust collects os on the welcome doormat of the San Francisco Red Cross Officer's Courtesy Bureaus. More than 7000 officers of the Armed Forces beseiged them with questions and requests last month, but Mrs. Leroy Briggs, who directs the five bureaus, has hung out a sign "The more the merrier."

"We are now getting out 'two and three timers'"—the officers who come straight to one of the bureaus when they re-visit San Francisco," said Mrs. Briggs, "We'd like to have every officer who visits San Francisco avail himself of the services offered.

Here are typical questions and requests:

"Where can I get married?"

"Would you mind doing a little shopping for me? I want to get my wife a birthday present."

"What do I do about my laundry?"

"Where can I take a shower and clean up for my date?"

"Do you know of an apartment my wife and I can rent for a month or two?"

The Red Cross volunteers take care of the questions and requests quickly and efficiently. They'll get your hometown newspaper for you, arrange guest cards to clubs, make appointments, or attend to your mending. This list doesn't begin to cover the many "courtesies" which the bureaus are pleased to extend to the officers.

The Courtesy Bureau in the Palace Hotel, is the largest of the five, and the only one which affords facilities for showering, shaving, and changing clothes. Officers who are in San Francisco for only a brief leave appreciate the convenience of this lounge where they can "sharpen up" before stepping out.

Airmail Envelopes Not To Be Used For Ordinary Mail

Postmaster Betty Martin West, calls the public's attention to the irregular use of air mail envelopes for ordinary first class mail. Envelopes bearing the markings of air mail cannot be used for any other purpose than ail mail even though the words air mail are crossed out and ordinary mail indicaed.

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JUST WONDERIN'

I wonder at the modern mind—
Composed, some say, of many;
From which we draw good thoughts and bad
And some not worth a penny.

I wonder if our modern minds are compounded of various elements, some of which were inherited from remote ages of the past. It is a theory which many of us consider with grave reluctance.

Are there many minds in you and in me? The primal mind for instance, inherited from an unknown ancestor, whose only motives were those of self preservation and whose activities were those of acquiring food, shelter and clothing for himself and his mate. The savage mind which developed rapidly when a more efficient ancestor learned to make crude weapons which he used in practicing the art of self defense and in taking when and where he chose those things which added to his comfort.

The child mind, with its residue of primal and savage, began to function when our ancestors realized that a degree of law and order prevanled in the world about them. Gradually they people the universe with a multitude of superior beings—gods, goddesses and lesser deities who ruled the realm of nature, directed the destinities of mankind and dispensed awards and punishments in accordance with ethical, moral and religious codes, fomulated by the same imaginative minds that had invented the mythical beings whom they worshipped, appeased and strove at times, to obey.

Perhaps many eminent psychologists haven't gone back far enough in their attempts to analyze and chart the mind of man. Why should they become so concerned with our immediate past when trying to explain our mental twists and aberrations? The stream of mentality might be traced to its remote source even in your case and mine, its tributaries noted and its flotsam carefully examined. This task might explain a number of things, even though it proved to be somewhat eerie and ego-deflating.

Within the past few years, we have seen the savage mind, which we thought subdued, burst forth like a roaring volcano to overwhelm the earth. We have been forced to admit that evil lurks in the heats of men and that some human hearts are entirely evil.

I wonder if there is a primordial beastie and a stone age savage lurking in my mind or yours. I'm not greatly in favor of the child mind either; the inherited child mind is superstitious and it indulges in wishful thinking. I'd like to think that our minds, yours and mine, were adult minds, unincumbered with unlovely an weak inheritances from the past, and capable of clear, logical thinking in times of trouble like the present. I'd like to feel that our minds were well supplied with humor, for, "humor is the torch of reason."

If within these modern minds of ours there are indeed dangerous potentials—primal and savage instincts, together with child-ike gullibility, superstition and intolerance and if, unless rigidly supressed, these potentials may at times emerge and do violence to logic, reason and understanding, it might be well to revise an old Scotch prayer and repeat it daily, just as a precaution. Will you join me now?

"From goulies and ghosties and strange antiquee beasties,
And things all awry in our minds, good Lord deliver us."

A. Merriam Conner.

A MINING COMMITTEE

Establishment of a mining committee as an integral part of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce is another sign that San Francisco has awakened to the needs of its neighbors. If ever there was a city which should have an agency dedicated to the interests of the mining industry, that city is San Francisco. Historically, geographically and economically, San Francisco is a mining town. Its failure to have an agency to which the mining inustry could turn in time of need was a blot on the city's record.

The mining committee of the chamber may now join the agricultural committee of the same organization in making sure that San Francisco adequately serves the basic producing industries of the city's trade area. Although the chamber's agricultural committee was created only two years ago, we understand that already it is regarded as one of the chamber's most important committees. The mining commtitee has an equally bright future.

The mining industry has many problems in the solution of which bay area business and political support can be of material assistance. Not only must the California gold mining industry be restored and more steel plants be brought to the coast but mining throughout the whole Pacific, from Alaska to Australia, can, in peacetime, be served from San Francisco.

FOOD FUMBLING

Repeated warnings of practical food men that the nation faces the worst food crisis in its history go unheeded by the New Deal.

Every effort by those people best qualified to point the way to at least a partial solution to the grave problem has been resisted by the president and his advisors.

The recommendations of the Republican Congressional Food Study Committee for centralized food control, increased manpower on the farms, readjustment or elimination of existing price ceilings responsible for the lack of certain foods and that rationing be balanced with actual supply, fall on deaf ears.

Even the president's own food appointee, Chester Davis, who, incidentally, is the only practical food man called in by the New Deal administration for high office, was compelled to resign because of lack of cooperation from the White House and because he could not go along with the administration's impractical policies.

Perhaps Feed Industry Council's chairman, J. A. McConnell, was correct in his evaluation of the situation. Said Mr. McConnell:

"James F. Bnryes and his New Deal associates do not understand food in the first place and in the second place they are more interested in politics than they are in production."

WHEN THE CAT'S AWAY

For every five soldiers in uniform, here are two civilians on the federal payroll. The last official check of civilians working for the government gave the number as 3,029,000. World War I the figure was 918,000.

"POOR HENRY" WALLACE

It is not difficult these days to feel sorry for Henry Wallace. One can almost say with feeling, "Poor Henry," about the ex-Iowa farm boy who went to the city and learned to talk a language that he doesn't seem to quite understand.

First Henry took out after Secretary of Commerce Jesse Jones with his new found words. And the repercussion blew Henry right out of his official duties and left him the vice president presiding over the senate.

Then "Poor Henry" picked some more fancy words out of his recently acquired foreign vocabulary. He attempted to label all who differ with the New Deal as American Fascists. And that opened up the opportunity for the press and Republicans to point out vividly to the public (as though it were not perfectly obvious to the public) the Fascist tendencies of the New Deal toward government control over all of our lives.

Finally Henry (or whoever is writing these strange words so unlike the Iowa corn country language) came out for an end of the economy of scarcity and announced his undying allegiance to a capitalism of plenty. He tried to blame the scarcity theories on everyone but the New Deal.

But Henry (or someone) forgot to read all of the vice president's past speeches and his performance while Secretary of Agriculture. He forgot that in the early days of the New Deal, the professors and "Poor Henry" thought that what was wrong with America was that we were over-produced; there were too many machines in factories. Henry forgot that it was he who killed off the pigs, told the farmers what to plant and what not to plant. For years the vice president was under fire for his economy of scarcity. Now he has found out he was wrong all the time but wants someone else to be the whipping boy.

Apparently since Henry has been visiting with the professors he has come around to agreeing with Harry Hopkins that "the people are too dumb to understand."

AN UNINTENTIONAL EDITORIAL

The Central Valley Project Association, in a recent report on the successful campaign to obtain appropriations to complete vital portions of the project, has, we think, unintenteionally written a very neat editorial pertinent to many other California affairs.

"In January of this year," says the association, "there was no reclmation project of any consequence under way. However, a determined group of reclamation-minded people commenced a campaign that brought recognition and support.

"Governor Warren, the California State Water Authority, the State Legislature, the Boards of Supervisors of many counties—the California members of Congress, California newspapers, a legion of indiviuals, were vigorous in their support.

"The Central Valley Project Association extends to everyone and every agency that has cooperated and contributed towards the successful results, the sincere thanks and appreciation of the people of the valley whom they represent.

"This has been a splendid example of what is accomplished when there is teamwork and harmony in the efforts of those supporting the project."

The emphasis is ours. The lesson is for us all.

First Infantile Paralysis Case This Year In County

Albert Denny Morateur, 4 years, died Saturday in Hills Flat of infantile paralysis, according to the diagnosis of Dr. Harry N. March. The child and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Morateur had recently returned to Grass Valley from Richmond, California. It is believed that the malady was contracted at the bay city, since there have been no known cases of poliomyelitis in this city this year, whereas in Richmond the disease has been reported prevalent for some months.

Health Officer Dr. E. M. Roesner has taken the usual quarantine measures, and advised parents of children who may have come in contact with the Morateur child to restrict them to their homes and observe them closely for a few days. Besides the parents, a sister, Penny Lee Morateur, survives.

Private funeral services were held this morning from the chapel of Hooper and Weaver Mortuary. Rev. William Horgan officiated. Interment was in the Catholic Cemetery.

Funeral Service For Mrs. Helen G. Rickard

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock for the late Mrs. Helen Gummoe Rickard who passed away Saturday morning in her home, 119 Winchester street, Grass Valley, The obsequies took place in the chapel of Hooper and Weaver Mortuary with Rev. Carl Tamblyn of Marysville officiating. Interment was in Odd Fellows Cemetery.

Mrs. Rickard was 74 years of age and was born in Grass Valley. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Bertrand F. Voss, of Oakland, California, and a grandson, Bertrand H. Voss, U. S. Army.

For many years Mrs. Rickard devoted herself to her household and garden, revealing great talent in landscaping and cultivation of native and foreign srubs. She shared her experience freely with her neighbors and friends.

Mrs. De Neal Nuttall Recovers From Accident

Mrs. Jack Fletcher has received a letter stating Mrs. DeNeal Nuttall, who was in the plane crash in Nevada state that killed her husband, is so far recovered that she has been moved to the home of a sister in Emmett, Idaho. She suffered a compound fracture of her right arm and is also suffering from shock and bruises.

William Nolan, Cadet Pilot, Killed In Accident

William Nolan, 21, a graduate of the Grass Valley High School, has been killed in a mid-air collision at Eagle Field, Dos Palos, according to advices received by his friends here. The accident happened July 30th while Nolan being trained as an aviation cadet. He had completed his preflight training at Santa Ana, Orange County.

Shortly after his graduation here Nolan entered the University of Washington. His father, William Nolan, Sr., resides in Tacoma, Washington.

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Ralph T. Fisher, Oakland business leader, has been elected President of the California War Chest, assisting Community Chest and War Fund organizations throughout the State in planning October and November campaigns to raise their share in the National War Fund's total goal of $125,000,000. Agencies to be benefited, in addition to local community welfare, are USO, United Seamen's Service, War Prisoners' Aid, and 14 United Nations relief organizations.

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RETIREMENT OF OVER-AGE ARMY OFFICERS BEGUN

Mandatory retirement of over-age officers of the Army will become effective September 30, 1943, it was announced today at the headquarters of Major General Kenyon A. Joyce, Commanding General of the Ninth Service Command, at Fort Douglas, Utah.

A recent War Department directive requires that officers who have reached the staturtory retirement age will be relieved from active duty not later than September 30.

The statutory age is 60 for officers up to and including the rank of colonel, 62 for brigadier generals and 64 for major generals, lieutenant generals and all officers of the Medical and Chaplain Corps.

Enforced retirement affects a number of officers in the Ninth Service Command. Many are occupying key positions on the headquarters staff are in command of large posts, camps and installations. In their assigned duties they are giving the government the benefit of their experience and judgment gained during long years of faithful and efficient service.

According to the policy announced by the War Department the expansion of the armed forces, Air, Ground and Service has now reached a point of a gradual leveling off which probably will be completed by the early fall. This leveling off process results for the time being in an overproduction of officers which must be met by the readjustments best calculated to maintain and improve the efficiency of the Army as a whole.

The government owes a salute to the stout-hearted older officers who volunteered their services at the out break of the limited emergency. Their patriotism is evidenced by their leaving the peace and comfort of retirement to take up difficult tasks of war administration or to remain at such tasks after reaching an age when retirement could be accepted.

In the early period of the expansion program there was a shortage of senior officers of experience who could assume positions of extended responsibility. Accordingly, a large number of officers beyond the statutory age for retirement were continued or placed on active duty where they have rendered very valuable service to the nation. However, as other officers have become available to perform these important tasks the War Department states it is now desirable for the general good of the Army to return to an inactive status those officers who have passed the retirement age.

To the officers departing because of the mandatory application of the policy, the Commanding General of the Ninth Service Command, Major General Kenyon A. Joyce, states:

'Your services have been invaluable to the government and to me. It has been through your generous efforts and devotion to duty that this command has accomplished its part in the stupendous task which the war has imposed on all elements of the armed forces. I regret your departure and wish for you all contentment in your well earned surcease from the trying grind of the war effort."

STANFORD OFFERS WAR INDUSTRY MANAGER COURSE

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Aug. 16.—Training business and professional men for executive positions in war industries, the Stanford University War Training Office, through the Graduate School of Business at Stanford, opens its third free course in "Management Practices in War Industries," October 11.

The intensive full time course will run for ten weeks on the Stanford campus. It is given as part of the University's Engineering, Science, and Management War Training Program.

The course is designed both to train men now employed in executive positions in non-essential industries and to train potential executives now employed in war work. The fields of industrial management, personnel work, and costs accountings are especially emphasized.

The classes are under the direct supervision of Dean J. Hugh Jackson of the Graduate School of Business, who will consult with trainees about their individual problems and programs. Five of the ranking professors of the school will teach them.

They are Paul E. Holden, professor of industrial management, who will deal wth basic operating practices; Edward K. Strong, Jr., professor of applied psychology and author of Strong's vocational interest blank who will teach personnel management; Barrett F. McFadon, associate professor of accounting, who will develop cost accounting as a tool for management; Henry P. Goode, assistant professor of mechanical engineering, who will offer a study of manufacturing pocesses, and Philip Perham of the War Training Program administrative staff, who will analyze office practices and requirements.

Applicants must be high school graduates with at least five years of business experience, or have equivalent training. Application forms can be secured from the Graduae School of Business at Stanford.

More than 40 older business men were enrolled in the first management course last spring, and some 25 women are enrolled in the course being diven this summer. No guarantee of placement is made, but the school continually receives requests for persons with management training, according to Dean Jackson, and the school's placement facilities are open to the students.

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Rear Ponds Planned For Bear River, Post War

During the visit of the legislative interim committee charged with investigating conditions in California officials of the California Fish and Game Commission, and the Grass Valley Rifle, Rod and Gun Club, the commission chairman, Nate Milnor, assured the local sportsmen that one of the many field projects planned for after the war will be the construction of rearing ponds for trout on the Bear River.

Milnor stated that these ponds will be in the vicinity of the present tanks used for the same purpose on a limited scale. The construction will entail the use of heavy equipment and the ponds will cover several acres.

ELKS ENTERTAIN OFFICERS

The Nevada City Lodge of Elks entertained Camp Beale officers and their wives and members of the Grass Valley lodge at a dance Saturday night in the Elks club. The wives of Nevada City Elks were the hostesses for the occasion.

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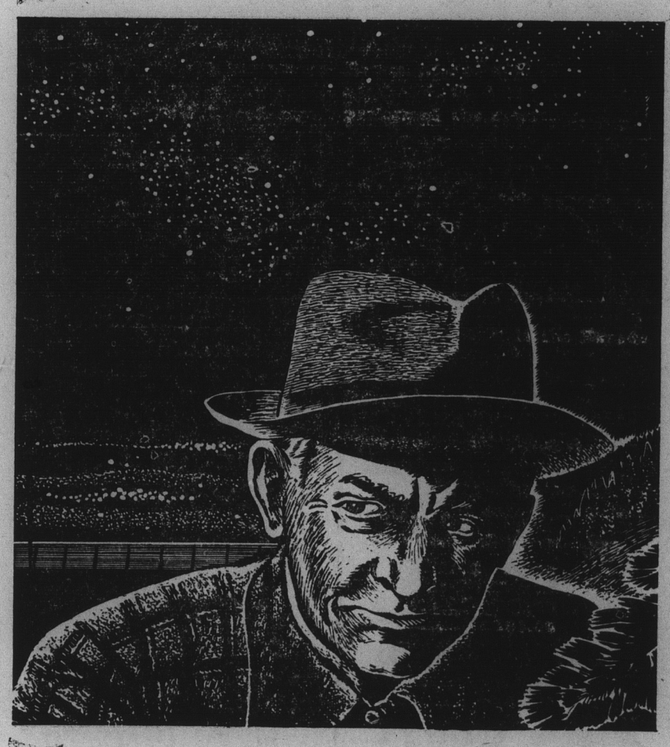

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Usually the work is just patrolling the shores of a lake and watching the water level at the gauge tower.

Today I keep a sharp vigilance for forest fires, do airplane spotting and make doubly sure that logs and twigs and brush do not move down the lake to the forebay surge chamber and cause a powerhouse turbine to shut down. That must not happen in wartime when electric power generating plants must operate full time.

I know what a shut-down would mean because I can see electricity in use in the valley below. There are lights in farm dwellings, little clusters of lights in the valley towns, bigger clusters of lights in more distant cities.

I know, too, that electric power from the plant below my lake goes down to food packing plants, to shipyards, to factories and to army and navy bases, vital to our victory.

Then I remember the day when some of the young men from the power plant below came up to my forebay to shoot ducks. These young men are shooting down Zeros and Messerschmidts today. I remember, too, when I showed young men where the big fish were in the pools of the mountain streams near here. I know these men are out to get bigger and more dangerous fish today.

These things make me wish I were younger. I would be one of the young men fighting. But I realize I can't. I am going to stick here and try to be the best lake tender in the world. That is how I can best help win the war.

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Personal

U. S. N. Johnson was called to Chico the latter part of last week on account of the sudden death of his brother, Gerald Johnson, Wednesday morning. Burial took place in Chico. Gerald Johnson resided on Boulder street several years ago and has returned on visits since. He leaves an aged mother, sister and brothers.

Mrs. Vera Stanley of San Francisco is visiting friends in Nevada City. She is a former resident of Downieville.

Mrs. Tony Lavezolla of Downieville visited friends in Nevada City Friday. With her husband she operates the St. Charles Hotel in Downieville.

Mrs. Tony Costa and son of Downieville, enjoyed visiting friends in and attending to business affairs in Nevada City Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. McQuay are enjoying a short vacation in their home on the Willow Valley road. He is employed by the United Egineering firm in Alameda.

Mrs. Albert Vierra and son of Stockton visited friends and relatives in Nevada City and Grass Valley over the past week end. She is the former Lily Botting, native of Sierra County, who grew to young womanhood in this city.

A letter from Eddie Furano, who entered the U. S. air corps service, two months ago, is now stationed at Shepards Field, Texas. He states he is to go to school five months to take up advanced training. Bob Bonner of Nevada City and a classmate in the local schools, is also in the same camp in Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Myers purchased the Long property on Clay street last week. Mr. Long is moving to Sacramento. After some remodeling the son of Mr. and Mrs. Myers, Lawrence Myers and family will occupy the house.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mason have purchased the Robinson house and lot on Munro street, adjoining the home of Mr. and Mrs. Al Sommers. Mr. Mason is in the employ of the state division and has lived in this section for some time. They spent several months in the bay region and decided they wanted to return here to reside.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Calahan of Kent, visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Myers for three days leaving for their home Saturday They wish to buy a home here and will return soon to look for property.

PARK TO HAVE CARETAKER

Nevada City employees have torn down the dwelling they received from the Tahoe National Forest on highway 20 just beyond White Cloud publis camp in recent weeks. The lumber was transferred to the Pioneers Park and is now practically rebuilt. It is situated northeast of the lodge and understood to be for a park caretaker.

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ICKES HAS READY ANSWER FOR ALBERT CARTER

Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes has replied to Congressman Albert E. Carter's telegram of August 2 threatening " a rude awakening" to the "Secretary of the Interior and Bashore and others in the interior department" if they continue the construction of the Shasta-Oroville transmission line in California to provide an outlet for Central Valley Project power contrary to Mr. Carter's views of what should be done. The department is proceeding with construction of the entire length of the line which Senator Hayden, the chairman of the Senate Subcommittee on Interior Appropriations stated "can be carried on with the unexpended balances which are now available." Senator Hayden's statement was made on the floor of the senate in connection with enactment of this year's departmental appropriations which included an item for one section of the line. Continued construction of the entire line is necessary to make Central Valley Project power available to serve war loads and to help conserve fuel oil.

The communications follow:

"August 2, 1943, Fresno, California.

"Michael W. Strauss
First Assistant Secretary of Interior
Washington, D. C.

"Your letter of July 22 just received. The action of the Interior Department in this matter is the first betrayal of a committee's expressed recommendations by any department of which I am aware. Bashore states the house committee's action and then proceeds to just the opposite. In other words, Bureaucrat Bashore overrules the legislative branch. If the secretary of the interior and Bashore and others in the interior department are under the impression that they can disregard the legislative intent and succeed please assure them they are due for a rude awakening.

(Signed) ALBERT E. CARTER."

"Albert E. Carter

"My dear Mr. Carter:

"I have seen your telegram of August 2, addressed to First Assistant Secretary Straus, in which you announce that 'The Secretary of the Interior and Bashore and others in the interior department are due for a rude awakening' if they continue federal construction of the Shasta-Oroville transmission line in California contrary to your own interpretation of legislative intent.

"I recognize that you are an influential member of congress, and that you are the ranking minority member of the House Subcommittee on Interior Appropriations. But neither this fact nor the threatening implication of your telegram can prevent me from doing my duty as authorized by law, nor can they make me voluntarily participate with you in making a virtual gift to a privately owned utility company of a federal investment costing the taxpayers many millions of dollars, if I am authorized by law to take action which would avoid this result. I have fought your efforts in support of the devious attempt of the Pacific Gas and Eltctric Company to capture the Shasta Power Plant for its own benefit. I am going to continue to do any thing that I can, within the limits of my jurisdiction, to preserve for the public at least some of the benefits of their huge investment.

"Your telegram says that "Action of the interior department in this matter is the first betrayal of a committee's expressed recommendations by any department of which I am aware.' It is true that the house appropriations committee recommended that no funds should be used by the government for the construction of the Shasta-Oroville line below the Shasta substation. No action was taken by congress to give legal effect to this recommendation. Ordinarily I carry out the recommendations of congressional committes as well as the directions of congress. But in this situation, an express prohibition of the use of funds to build the Shasta-Oroville line, which was recommended in the original report of the house appropriations committee, was not contained in the bill as reported out or as passed. In addition, the chairman of the senate subcommittee on interior department appropriations has clearly expressed an opinion which conflicts with the recommendation of your committee. In connection with the final action on the conference report, Senator Hayden said: 'The reclamation service can proceed to carry forward any work which is necessary in connection with the proposed transmission line to Oroville.' After noting that unexpended balances are available for work on the entire line, he states that 'the principle of the line' would be a matter for debate and vote this fall.

"In view of this sharp conflict between the house and the senate committees, and in view of the failure of congress to take any action to determine the matter, I feel that I am not only at liberty to determine my course of action on the basis of the strict legal situation. I am under a duty to follow my own judgment as to the best policy to be pursued. I am advised that there is no doubt as to my legal authority to construct the line and to use previously appropriated funds for that purpose. As to the policy questions, the facts in the case are so clear that I would be derelict in my duty if I did not use the legal authority which I possess and proceed with the construction.

"As you know, the Shasta-Oroville line must be built by the government or by the Pacific Gas and Electric Company. Construction must be completed by March of 1944, when Shasta power is scheulded to be available for war industries and other loads in the area. If the line were constructed by the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, that company would enhance its chances of being the only purchaser of Shasta power. In effect, it would then have taken a long step in carrying out the plan, at which it has worked assiduously for many years, of capturing an investment of millions of dollars in the dam and power plant which has been made by the people of the United States. If congress wishes to direct me to play Santa Claus with taxpayers' money to the Pacific Gas and Electric Company ,I shall of course do so; but congress must clearly direct me. I will not voluntarily give any privately owned company the only key to a public structure worth millions of dollars which was built with taxpayers' money for the benefit of all of the people of California and the United States. So long as I have the authority to keep that key in the possession of the United States government to be used for the benefit of the people whose money built this dam and power plant. I shall do so.

"If congress wants to turn over this investment to the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, it should give me a clear direction. I would, of course, meticulously carry out its mandate, even though I should completely disagree with its judgment and even though I should fully realize that the effect of its action would be irreparable injury to the people of California and, particularly, to the water users of the Central Valley area. These water users will have to bear a large part of the burden of the differences between the returns that the federal government will get from selling power to one customer, without competition, and from selling the same power in a free competitive market.

"I have sent to you and to all other members of the committee a copy of the opinion of the solicitor of this department in which he reached the decision that there is legal authority to proceed with the construction of the line with funds which have previously been made available. I have also sent to all members of the committee the recommendation of the bureau of reclamation to proceed with the construction of the line. I have dealt frankly and openly with the committee on this subject. I invited the committee and the congress to consider squarely the issue of whether this line should be owned by the United States government or whether it should be turned over to the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, even if the line is completed by the government before congress acts. If the congress should direct that the line be sold to the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, I am sure that the company would be delighted to purchase it. By purchasing this line, the company would become the beneficiary of millions of dollars of federal investment. I am ready to meet this issue.

"Sincerely yours,
"HAROLD L. ICKES,
Secretary of the Interior."

HANKERCHIEF SHOWER

Banner Mountain Post, V. F. W. Auxiliary gave Mrs. Bill Hatch, past president, a handkerchief shower at the close of their meeting. Thursday evening. It was a complete surprise to her as a farewell as she was leaving for the bay region to reside.

Mrs. Minnie Young and daughter, Mrs. Bill Hatch received letters on records from their grandson and son respectively, Bill Hatch, Jr., on his first liberty from Farragut, Idaho, naval base. The name of the records is "Your Service Man's Record" and his voice was clear and strong.

Bill Hatch, Sr. employed in war work at Sausalito came up during the past week end and moved his wife and three sons to their new home in Mill Valley. They expect to remain there until the war is over.

BASE HOSPITAL NEAR AUBURN READY NOV. 15

AUBURN, Aug. 16.—Captain Dana R. Tysen, U. S. army engineers office of Sacramento and Major Paul Ranron, Captain George Shirley, Captain Raymond White and Lt. Robert Marshall of the U. S. Army hospital staff were guests at a meeting of the Auburn Lions Club on Wednesday.

The meeting was arranged as an army hospital gathering to acquaint the Lions and guests with some of the facts concerning the huge 1727 bed hospital whch will soon be opened, November 15. R. E. Dahlberg and G. W. Brundage were present representing the Auburn Chamber of Commerce. Vernon McCann was program chairman.

Some of the facts covered in the talk given by Captain Tyson follow:

The hospital will cost over three million dollars.

It is being built under the direction of the Sacramento district U. S. Engineer office. It will be ready for occupancy November 15, 1943. Colonel William H. Smith has been appointed commanding officer.

Construction of the 68 buildings for the 1727 bed hospital started on May 1, 1943. When completed there will be 29 wards, four clinics, four warehouses, 12 detachment barracks, officers and nurses quarters, mess buildings, and recreational buildings. The hospital is constructed of brick masonry, and is one of the largest of its kind. Over 500 workmen are emploed on its construction at the present time.

MacDonald and Kahn, Incorporated, contractors of San Francsco, were awarded the contract for construction of the hospital buildings and water and sewage treatment plants. A. Teichert and Company of Sacramento was awarded two contracts, one for construction of an irrigation ditch and relocation and site grading, and the other for construction of streets, roads, grading, paving and drainage work. The Kruly and Van Valkenberg Construction Company of Los Angeles was awarded the contract for construction of underground utilities. C. C. Moore and Company of San Francisco for construction of a central steam plant, and the Reliable Elevator Works of Sacramento for the installtion of an electrical distribution system.

All of the underground work of laying sewers, water and steam lines is now complete and about one-fifth of the buildings have their side walls and roofs in place, while other phases of construction are in progress on nearly every building.

Miss Helen Jones Now Army Hospital Librarian

From the office of the commanding general of Fort Douglas, Utah, comes the announcement that Miss Helen Jones, daughter of Judge and Mrs. George J. Jones has been appointed professional librarian of the Hammond General Hospital Station library at Modesto, Stanislaus County.

Miss Jones has just completed an intensive course in army procedures at the Headquarters Ninth Service Command Special Service Branch Library at Fort Douglas. She is a graduate of Stanford University and received her library training at the University of California School of Librarianship. She has been associated with the Monterey and the San Benito county labraries, and the Fremont Unon High School at Sunnyvale, Santa Clara.

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